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SUBJ: CARLOS ISSUE

REF: (A) PARIS 26714, (B) ROME 14971

1. IN APPRAISING YUGOSLAV INTERPOL REPORT AND ZARIC'S COMMENTS REFTEL (A), ADDRESSEES SHOULD KEEP IN MIND THAT THE YUGOSLAVS THEMSELVES ADMITTED TO THE FRG EMBASSY IN BELGRADE THAT CARLOS ARRIVED HERE SEPTEMBER 6. FURTHER, THERE WERE LARGE NUMBER OF SDB AGENTS AT AIRPORT FOR ARRIVAL SEPT 6 AND DEPARTURE SEPT 9, WHICH HARDLY NECESSARY FOR "ALGERIAN TV TEAM" THAT IS STILL SUPPOSED TO BE IN BELGRADE.

2. THE YUGOSLAV LINE NOW IS THAT IT WAS A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY. BUT WE SHOULD NOT BEGIN TO HAVE SELF-DOUBTS, AND SHOULD HOLD YUGOSLAVIA TO ACCOUNT ON THE CARLOS MATTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR OWN ADMISSIONS TO THE GERMANS.

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3. BONN: BELIEVE BASED ON WHAT FRG EMBASSY HAS TOLD US ABOUT TIMING AND DETAILED CONTENT OF CARLOS ARTICLE IN DER SPIEGEL THAT FRG FOREIGN MINISTRY CHOSE NOT TO MAKE PUBLIC THE BELGRADE CARLOS CAPER BUT SOMEONE IN BONN (PERHAPS INTERIOR MINISTRY) HELD SPIEGEL PRESSES OPEN TO WAIT FOR INFORMATION SENT BY GERMAN EMBASSY HERE LATE LAST FRIDAY (I.E., THE "ALGERIAN PROFESSOR" COVER).

4. ROME: CARLOS WAS HERE SEPT 6-9 BUT WE HAVE NO INFO RE USE US PASSPORTS. DEFER TO DEPARTMENT FOR GUIDANCE RE INFO FOR TWA.
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